

JAMES ISLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

# The Messenger

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## **JIBC 78TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**

**BIBLE STUDY AT 10 AM  
COMBINED WORSHIP AT 11AM  
DESSERT FELLOWSHIP AFTERWARDS  
(BRING YOUR FAVORITE TO SHARE!)**

**NO 9 AM WORSHIP...PLEASE JOIN US AT 11 AM**

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### **James Island Baptist Church Staff**

Pastor: Tom Brown  
Associate Pastor: Kyle Hooss  
Worship Pastor: David Martin  
Student Ministry Pastor: Logan Duvall  
Ministry Assistant: Neale Young  
Weekday Preschool Director: Laura Holmes



**The Church at Riverland Terrace**  
JAMES ISLAND BAPTIST

# Perspectives

# Pastor Tom

## Holy Coincidence?

Our old friend Frank O. Hunt once said “A coincidence is God’s way of remaining Anonymous!” What do you think about coincidences? Just random things that happen to have some similarity or possible meaning? Or is it possible that you are seeing Romans 8:28 worked out right before your eyes? Could God be working all things together for good for those who love Him and have been called according to His purpose in Christ Jesus? Could be, but it might be too early in your process to know if it is purely a coincidence or is it God working. So how can you know.

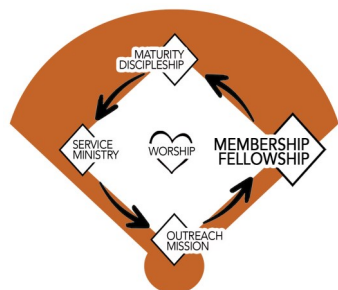
Henry Blackaby in *Experiencing God* suggests that we stop long enough to pray, ask some questions, read scripture and watch. What does He do next? So, what am I talking about in this particular instance? What do you think about working with orphans, orphanages, children’s homes and Christian schools? It would be interesting if we had one or two people with a desire to help orphans, or one or two who are interested going to work with and support orphans. Say, someone who went to Uganda. Or someone who went to Colombia South America. Or someone who went to Romania. Or someone who went to Slovakia. What they all have in common is children. What is God doing? What do we know He is doing? He is in the business to reach, redeem and restore a lost and broken world. Such brokenness is seldom more evident than in the impact it has on children.

My thoughts? Let’s get together and pray, ask questions, read scripture and see if God is speaking and what else He might have to say. We have had an offer by Todd and Amanda Holseberg to host a dinner to hear about their daughter Lyla’s heart about the Uganda mission. Let’s see if we could spread that to a few other continents. Why not? We have a really BIG GOD!

Would you join me in praying for clarity and next steps. One of the songs we sing now says “God is up to something; God is up to something right now”. I think He might just be!

See you Sunday, good Lord willing. To our 9:00 worship attenders, remember we will have ***one combined service at 11:00 on Sunday, September 7.*** This will be for our 78<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary. We will celebrate Communion on that Sunday too!

Pastor Tom



**CLASS 101: DISCOVERING MEMBERSHIP AT JIBC  
ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 31  
HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL A LATER DATE**

**AWANA**  
**Wednesday Nights beginning September 3**  
**6:00 pm - 7:30 pm**



AWANA is a fun and interactive children's program with a focus on learning God's word and missions. AWANA is for children, 3 years old to 5th grade. AWANA meets Wednesday nights, from September through May.

Text AWANA to 843-762-0244 to register

**Calling All Helping Hands! Join Our Church Kitchen Team!**

Do you enjoy baking, serving others, or just rolling up your sleeves to help where it's needed?  
 We're looking for cheerful, dependable volunteers to help in the church kitchen!



**Opportunities include:**

Making delicious desserts  
 Serving tea and refreshments  
 Washing dishes and keeping the kitchen tidy

Whether you're a seasoned cook or just want to lend a hand, there's a place for you.  
 Come be part of a warm, welcoming team that serves our church family with love.

**No experience necessary — just a willing heart!**

To sign up or learn more, contact Phyllis Croft at 843-559-1848

## Prayer Requests

**Family and Friends**

- Myrtle Maull
- Gene Schurlknight
- Willa Mae Mincey
- Larry Alexander
- Jada Benton
- David Hall
- Mel Bell
- Debbie McLawhorn
- Eric Heitman
- Bill & Carollee Simmons
- Nancy Bryson Schwartz
- Jim Sherard
- Anna Gaskins

- Austyn, Caroline (Koch)
- Niccolls and Katie
- Alston Pauls
- David MacDougall
- Rie Reid
- Lisa Trainor
- April Moore
- Brenda Lewis
- Scott Ausborne
- Tony Elliott
- Vickie Perry
- Melissa Lysterly
- Greta McKelvey
- Liz Burrell
- Gloria Hunter

**Mission/Ministry Prayer**

- Ukraine
- Weekday Preschool
- Recovery Ministry
- James Island Outreach
- Opportunity House
- Luz Y Verdad
- Charles and Judy Dillon:  
Carpenter's House Global
- John and Yi Ling Pittman: Asia
- Pastor Marius & Cristina Moisin:  
Romania

## Baptized into the Family of God

**August 13, 2025**

Irelyn Addis  
 Austin Baxa  
 Ashleigh Boyd  
 Emily Boyd

Rose Robinson  
 Hattie Rogers  
 Rhett Walters

**August 24, 2025**

Joshua Crouch





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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30-4:30



## Ongoing Events

### Sundays

- 9:00a Worship Service  
10:00a Sunday Connection Groups  
for all ages  
11:00a Worship Service  
Luz Y Verdad (Hispanic Church)  
Preschool & Children's  
Worship  
5:30p Celebrate Recovery  
6:00p Youth Group

### Monday—Friday (September—May)

- 9:00a - Riverland Terrace Day School  
12:00p

### Wednesday (September—May)

- 5:00p Family Fellowship Dinner  
6:00p AWANA (3k—5th grade)



### How to Give to JIBC

Give in person

Give online at  
[jamesislandbaptist.com](http://jamesislandbaptist.com) or  
Text the word GIVE to  
843-762-0244

Mail your contribution to  
James Island Baptist Church

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## A Look At The Numbers...

<b>Projected budget through July 2025</b>	<b>\$579,351</b>
<b>Actual received through July 2025:</b>	<b>\$551,410</b>
<b>2025 weekly budget requirement:</b>	<b>\$19,312</b>
<b>This week's budget receipts: 8/17/25</b>	<b>\$15,836</b>



### Wednesday, September 3, 2025

Fried chicken, macaroni & cheese,  
vegetable, salad & dessert

*\$5 adult, \$3 per child*

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Led by Jill Beauvais  
Beginning September 3  
6:00 PM  
Upstairs—Room E211



### Calling All Women!

On the second Tuesday of each month Women on Mission gather for a time of missionary spotlight, Bible study, and prayer. On Tuesday, September 9 at 10 a.m. at the church in Room E202 (upstairs) we kick off the second year of our emphasis, What Joy! Then, on Monday, September 15 we join women of area churches at the Citadel to serve a taco dinner to 150 cadets prior to their weekly BCM worship. If you have a desire to discover the joy of missional living, plan to join us. Contact Linda Iler at 843-666-7978 for additional information.